

# Town of Simsbury

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## Aging and Disability Commission

### AGING AND DISABILITY COMMISSION June 15, 2004

#### MINUTES

Chairperson Peg Bergethon, in the Blue Room at Eno Memorial Hall, 754 Hopmeadow Street, Simsbury, Connecticut, called the meeting to order at 7:05PM. Kathy Fallon was appointed to sit in for Peg Bergethon.

Present: Peg Bergethon, Rickie Bergquist (Staff Consultant), Grace Comeau, Kathy Fallon, Gloria Knierim, Edward LaMontagne, Charlotte Steptoe, Eileen Umpleby, Lynn Veith, and Moira Wertheimer.

Not Present: John Romano (Board of Selectmen Liaison)

Guest: John Hampton, Board of Selectman.

Public Audience: None

Minutes: Upon a motion made by Gloria Knierim, and seconded by Ed LaMontagne, the Minutes of the May 18, 2004 meeting were accepted.

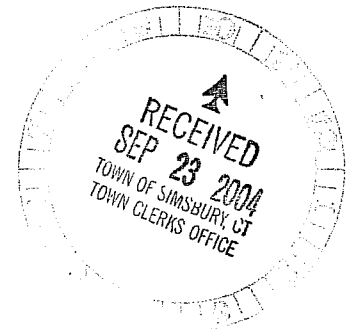
#### Reports - Subcommittees/Projects

Disability Subcommittee: Ed received a copy of the Transportation Solution for Congress, and gave a copy to Ricki. Ed also ordered 5 copies of a manual that deals with emergency preparedness for people with disabilities. He will distribute this to town officials.

#### Legislative Subcommittees

Federal: No report.

State: Ed spoke about legislative bills dealing with DMR. Specifically, one bill dealt with revising state statutes. Another bill dealt with guardian assessment form, used to determine if an individual's guardian is still applicable. In addition, the legislature passed a bill



mandating wider handicapped parking spaces, as well as increasing the amount of available parking spaces, effective 10/1/04. Also, the Governor's DMR waiting list proposal passed and will be effective 11/04.

**Housing Issues:** No report.

**Souper Tuesday Luncheons:** Upon motion, seconded and carried, the 2004-05 Souper Tuesday Luncheons will be held on 10/26, 11/30, 2/22, and 4/26. In addition, the \$2.00 registration fee will be continued.

**Ways and Means:** Lynn Veith reported that she continues to seek Norris' files.

**Senior Center:** Rickie reported that 50 people attended a Medicare Drug Discount Card forum. In general, people are not impressed with the new program. Ricki praised the new street signs installed recently, as the larger lettering makes the signs much more elder friendly. Ricki also noted that the new veteran service office would be opening in the Simsbury Town Hall. Peg noted what a great job Ricki did with Senior Center Newsletter.

**Other:** None.

#### **Old Business:**

**Music for All Ages:** Eileen will contact SHS in September in order to find another date.

#### **New Business:**

**Picnic in the Park:** Will be held on September 29<sup>th</sup> at the Apple Barn. Motion made, seconded and carried to appropriate \$250 to cover expenses.

**Correspondence:** No correspondence.

**Fashion Show:** Held during October 2004 Souper Tuesday.

**Other:** Kathy Fallon is a full member of the Commission now.

**Adjournment:** The next meeting is on September 21, 2004. Motion made and carried to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 8:05pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Moirá Wertheimer  
Clerk